

National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection Meeting
November 14 – November 15, 2001
The Washington Plaza
10 Thomas Circle NW
Washington, DC 20005

Congress established the National Advisory Committee on Meat and Poultry Inspection in 1971 under authority of the Federal Meat Inspection and Poultry Products Inspection Acts. Both laws require the Secretary of Agriculture to consult with an advisory committee before issuing product standards and labeling changes or on matters affecting federal and state program activities. Membership on the Committee has been broadened to provide a greater representation to state and consumer interests and to add more balance than in previous years. This Committee serves as a forum for significant sharing of ideas and insight about how our regulatory system can best serve both consumers and industry. The addition of representatives from state and consumer interests will result in more substantial contributions to USDA's regulatory policy development. The public is invited to participate in this process by making comments and suggestions, either at this meeting or in writing. Written comments may be submitted to the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), Docket Clerk: DOCKET No. 01-036N, Room 102, Cotton Annex Building, 300 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20250. Comments may also be sent by facsimile (202) 205-0381. The comments and official transcript of the meeting will be in the Docket Clerk's office. Transcripts may also be viewed on FSIS Web Site at <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/OPPDE/naempi/>.

Two Sub-Committees have been designated. Each subcommittee will have one issue to address during this meeting.

- Retail Exemption – FSIS Current Thinking
- Modernizing Standards of Identity for Meat and Poultry Products

The Administrator of the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), chairs the Committee. Top FSIS officials who lead efforts in the policy issues on the agenda will also brief the Committee. The Administrator will invite the public to make comments and suggestions on the Committee proceedings. The Committee will consider these comments and suggestions as it plans its agenda.

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8:30 - 9:30	Welcome Opening Remarks Meeting Agenda	Dr. Elsa Murano, Under Secretary for Food Safety Margaret O’K. Glavin, Acting Administrator
9:30 - 10:00	Briefing “Food Bio-Security” Action Team (F-BAT)	Karen Henderson
10:00 - 10:20	BREAK	
10:20 - 11:00	Briefing HACCP-based Inspection Models Project (HIMP)	Michael Grasso Ken Petersen
11:00 - 11:30	Issue Retail Exemption – FSIS Current Thinking	Matthew Michael John O’Connell
11:30 – 12:00	Briefing Surveys of Field Personnel on FSIS Issuances	Jane Roth
12:00 - 1:15	LUNCH	
1:15 - 1:45	Briefing Legislative Update	Linda Swacina
1:45 - 2:30	Issue Modernizing Standards of Identity for Meat and Poultry Products	Robert Post
2:30 - 2:50	BREAK	
2:50 – 3:20	Briefing Update and Results from New Field Correlation Reviews	Don Smart
3:20 – 4:30	Public Comment and Adjourn	Margaret O’K. Glavin

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Evening Sub-Committee Sessions

Sub-Committees Meeting on Issues

7:00 - 9:00 Standing Sub-Committee Number 1

Daniel Lafontaine

Senate Room
1st Floor

Issue: Retail Exemption – FSIS Current Thinking

7:00 - 9:00 Standing Sub-Committee Number 2

Lee Jan
Cabinet Room

1st Floor

Issue: Modernizing Standards of Identity for Meat and Poultry Products

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8:30 - 8:45	Recap	Margaret O’K. Glavin
8:45 - 9:45	Sub-Committee Number 1 Briefing on Tuesday Evening Session Retail Exemption – FSIS Current Thinking	Daniel Lafontaine
9:45 - 10:15	BREAK	
10:15 - 11:15	Sub-Committee Number 2 Briefing on Tuesday Evening Session Modernizing Standards of Identity for Meat and Poultry Products	Lee Jan
11:15 – 1:00	LUNCH	
1:00 – 1:30	Briefing FSIS Laboratories: Functions Relations with State and Status of ISO Certification Effort	Pat McCaskey
1:30 - 2:00	Briefing Update on National Advisory Committee for Microbiological Criteria Foods	Brenda Halbrook
2:00 - 2:30	Briefing Introduction of Consumer Safety Officer (CSO) Occupation to FSIS Field	Barbara Masters Yvonne Davis
2:30 - 2:45	Remaining Issues and Plans for Next Meeting	Margaret O’K. Glavin
2:45 - 3:15	Public Comment, Wrap Up and Adjourn	Margaret O’K. Glavin